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|   | Filing Date          | February 9, 2001       |             |
|   | First Named Inventor | Wilson Zehr            |             |
|   | Group Art Unit       | 2162                   |             |
|   | Examiner Name        | Not Yet Assigned       |             |
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| First Named Inventor | Wilson Zehr and Moji Mirashrafi |
| Examiner Name        | Not Yet Assigned                |
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27

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| 101                         | 710                         | 201                         | 355                         | Utility filing fee     | 355.00   |
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| 107                         | 490                         | 207                         | 245                         | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 108                         | 710                         | 208                         | 355                         | Reissue filing fee     |          |
| 114                         | 150                         | 214                         | 75                          | Provisional filing fee |          |

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#### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

|                    | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid        |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Total Claims       | 40           | -20**= 20      | X 9.00 = 180.00 |
| Independent Claims | 4            | -3**= 1        | X 40.00 = 40.00 |
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| Large Entity<br>Fee<br>Code | Large Entity<br>Fee<br>(\$) | Small Entity<br>Fee<br>Code | Small Entity<br>Fee<br>(\$) | Fee Description  |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| 103                         | 18                          | 203                         | 9                           | Claims in Excess of 20                                     |
| 102                         | 80                          | 202                         | 40                          | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |
| 104                         | 270                         | 204                         | 135                         | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 109                         | 80                          | 209                         | 40                          | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 110                         | 18                          | 210                         | 9                           | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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| 105         | 130                            | 205         | 65                             | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  | 65.00    |
| 127         | 50                             | 227         | 25                             | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     |          |
| 139         | 130                            | 139         | 130                            | Non-English specification  |          |
| 147         | 2,520                          | 147         | 2,520                          | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination                     |          |
| 112         | 920*                           | 112         | 920*                           | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 113         | 1,840*                         | 113         | 1,840*                         | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 115         | 110                            | 215         | 55                             | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 116         | 390                            | 216         | 195                            | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 117         | 890                            | 217         | 445                            | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 118         | 1,390                          | 218         | 695                            | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 128         | 1,890                          | 228         | 945                            | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 119         | 310                            | 219         | 155                            | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 120         | 310                            | 220         | 155                            | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 121         | 270                            | 221         | 135                            | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 138         | 1,510                          | 138         | 1,510                          | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 140         | 110                            | 240         | 55                             | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 141         | 1,240                          | 241         | 620                            | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 142         | 1,240                          | 242         | 620                            | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 143         | 440                            | 243         | 220                            | Design issue fee   |          |
| 144         | 600                            | 244         | 300                            | Plant issue fee  |          |
| 122         | 130                            | 122         | 130                            | Petitions to the Commissioner  |          |
| 123         | 130                            | 123         | 130                            | Petitions related to provisional applications                              |          |
| 126         | 180                            | 126         | 180                            | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 581         | 40                             | 581         | 40                             | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 146         | 710                            | 246         | 355                            | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              |          |
| 149         | 710                            | 249         | 355                            | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))           |          |
| 179         | 710                            | 279         | 355                            | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |          |
| 169         | 900                            | 169         | 900                            | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

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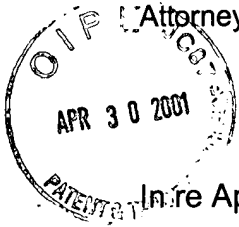
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OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION (FILING DATE GRANTED)**

Sir:


Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated March 14, 2001, are the following:

- (1) A check in the amount of \$640.00 in payment of the basic filing fee (37 CFR 1.27), additional claims fee, and late filing fee of declaration (37 CFR 1.16(e));
- (2) A duly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney; and
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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$220.
  - \$180 for 20 total claims over 20.
  - \$40 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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